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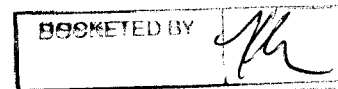
FROM: Chairman Doug Little's Office

SUBJECT: TRICO E-01461A-15-0363

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Chairman Little's office received 3 emails, referencing and in opposition of, the above docket number. The emails can be viewed via the Docket link on the website, or in Docket.

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From: John Mitchell <jwmitche@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2016 4:27 PM
To: Little-Web; RBurns-Web; Stump-Web; Forese-Web; Tobin-Web
Subject: Proposed Trico rate proposal E-01461A15-0363

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to encourage you as members of the ACC to reject the proposed Trico rate proposal E-01461-15-0363 as it will significantly discourage the further development of renewable energy sources in Arizona. Arizona is a state with abundant solar resource and the ACC should do all it can to encourage the implementation of residential and commercial solar systems rather than approve a rate structure that will discourage the development of this valuable resource..

The proposed rate structure unfairly discriminates against those customers with solar energy systems. The proposed demand charge structure and meter rate increase would be an unexceptional burden and increase the cost of providing electricity over what a normal customer would pay. Commercial and industrial customers are subject to demand charge rate structures, but utilities work with these customers to help them implement demand control strategies. The proposed rate structures are thus discriminatory toward residential customers.

Discouraging the installation of residential solar systems is not in the best interests of the state of Arizona. A major benefit of residential solar systems is that each kWh of electricity produced displaces one gallon the water used in a power plant cooling tower. This is significant in conserving a critical Arizona resource. Further a rooftop solar system has a positive effect on air quality in that it reduces the carbon-dioxide and other emissions produced by the coal-fired power plants. Lastly, the proposed rate structure would have a major negative economic effect on the many local companies that install and maintain solar systems.

Arizona utilities have the ability to be “good citizens” and take the lead to encourage the further use of our abundant solar resource in a responsible and environmentally sound manner. The proposal to eliminate net-metering, implement demand charges, and increase meter charges are steps in the wrong direction. The utilities would benefit at the expense of the residents and local businesses in our state. I encourage the Commission reject this proposal and to become a leader in developing a sustainable energy future for Arizona.

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From: Connie Aglione <caglione@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2016 5:28 PM
To: Little-Web
Subject: Re. docket E-01461A-15-0363.gg - TRICO Rate Changes

Re. docket E-01461A-15-0363.gg

Dear Chairman Little,

We are TRICO customers in Green Valley, AZ. We recently purchased solar panels for our home from a local solar company in Green Valley. Our decision was based on wanting to

- 1) do what we believe is right for the environment and
- 2) do what supports our local economy and promote a growing solar industry

Our opinion is that the Proposed TRICO rate changes will both

- 1) discourage the increase of solar installations in AZ which will be bad for our environment and increase global warming and
- 2) depress the solar industry in AZ which will be bad for our state and local economies.

In addition, we oppose retroactive rate changes. We contracted for solar panels in May 2016 and they were installed in July. We believe we may be impacted by **unfair retroactive rate changes**.

Sunny Arizona should be a leader in rooftop solar. The ACC should not approve the proposed TRICO rate changes.

Sincerely,

Constance and John Aglione

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From: sherry vogt <sherry.joe.vogt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2016 11:42 AM
To: Little-Web; Stump-Web; Forese-Web; Tobin-Web; RBurns-Web
Subject: Trico attacks on solar customers E-01461A-15-0363

We have been solar customers for almost a year now, our install and date of activation of our solar panels on our home was the end of October 2015. At the time of our purchasing our solar panels, we were aware there were some advances by electric companies to change their methods when dealing with solar customers. My husband and I are both retired, we live on social security for my husband, and disability for myself. We chose to go solar to ensure our utility bills would remain constant, as we are truly on a fixed income. Removing the fear of huge increases in our utility bills is vital to us. We plan on dying in the home we have, so investing in solar seemed a viable option for us.

I find it reprehensible that after paying nearly 20,000 dollars for our solar panels and install, that the company we are giving electric back to at no charge to them, wants to change the rules. They did not pay anything for our equipment, nor do they maintain it.

It is a travesty that because we are not a utility company, the company that receives our benefits wants more and more, and wants to pay us less for it.

I hope that you will resist the urge to vote for the requests made by trico regarding solar customers. The US is not in a position to squelch solar investments by its citizens, and the electric companies should find other ways then raiding our pockets to fund their CEO's pockets with huge bonuses and perks.

Thank you for your time, and I hope you will vote in favor of your constituents who have invested their hard earned money into preserving their money, investing in the environment, producing jobs for the local economy.

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